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"AKRIKHIN" FACTORY INCREASES OUTFUT

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Spurred by its All-Union Socialistic Competition victory for high production quotas in April 1948, the "Akrikhin" Chemicopharmaceutical Factory in April 1949, successfully completed its first-quarter quotas and established a record in medicinal production.

Success is attributed to good personnel organization and to that morale booster, the factory publication Za Akrikhin. Calling upon the workers to economize in raw material expenditure, it repeatedly emphasized that over-expenditure was waste. The journal cited the fact that "the raw materials wasted by Shop No 1 would have produced 160 kilograms of akrikhin, and Shop No 2 wasted enough for 400 kilograms of akrikhin and 85 kilograms of rivanol." It pointed out that "even a one percent saving will lower production costs on all products by at least 0.4 percent."

Occasionally, Za Akrikhin contained articles commending labor-saving and worthy suggestions made by employees. A 3-month production graph suggested by a worker is now in use and has shown that some of the workers can produce up to 9 established quotas for an 8-hour work period.

The paper has been responsible for instilling a great amount of price in the amployees, and doubtless figured prominently in the 18 percent production increase over the prevar period. A total of 6 million rubles was saved by lowering production costs.

The factory hopes to expand its productive capacity 46 percent in 1949. It is urged that production be worked into a smoothly operating system with a view to cutting 12 days off the current production month.

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